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PATENT

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In re application of:

Kenji Yamagami

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BACKUP AND RECOVERY SYSTEM
USING STORAGE BASED
JOURNALING

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 6, 2006, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.